Imperial County 4H Leaders Council

Meeting Minutes

August 24, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. at the Imperial County Farm Bureau in El Centro and was led by President, Yolanda Fiorenza.  The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4H Pledge by Dillon Sanchez.

Roll call was accomplished by sign-in sheet and a quorum was established.

Secretary Minutes were tabled until the next meeting.

Treasurer’s Report – See discussion below on budget committee.

Special Guest – 2017 SLC Delegates. Hayden Hulsey presented his Emerald Star Project Civic Engagement Leadership

 Team (C.E.L.T. I.V). His goal is to raise $20,000 to send members to Cal Focus, Washington Focus, SLC

**ALL STAR REPORT** – All Star members discussed their experience at SLC

**OLD BUSINESS**

* Adding new Leader Council Officers to checking account – Angie Ortiz motioned to add Yolanda Fiorenza, Becky Poloni, Kim Grizzle to the checking account. Stacey Britchgi seconded. Motion passed.
* Tractor Supply Spring Clover Drive – The County earned $1287.00, which is earmarked for Leadership.
* Record Book Rehash – Shanna suggested a small group go thru the PDR’s the night before judging and organize record books. Saturday would be judging the APR’s so judging is more consistent. Shanna Abatti is willing to hold a county wide record book training early on if there is interest. Clubs need to only send record books that are complete. Clubs can judge the record books that are not sufficient for county judging.
* Budget Committee - Linda Sanchez motioned to approve Becky Poloni, Kim Grizzle, Millie Spaugh for the Budget Committee. Tina Cruz seconded. Motion passed
* Achievement Night Rehash - All Stars felt that the formal event, dinner and dessert auction was a success. More people attended than RSVP’d. They estimated about 40 more chairs were needed. Resulting from Achievement Night the All Stars think the County needs new flags. They need an American Flag, California Flag, Imperial County Flag and 4-H Flag. They would like the flags to be all the same size and the poles and bases to be the same. Seth Hilfiker reported that the 4-H catalog for two of the flags for $550.00. He said all four flags and poles and bases should not exceed $1,000.00. It was suggested that he should find out if he can buy just the flags from the 4-H catalog and the poles and bases for the four flags from another vendor so they are the same for all four flags if the flags have to come from different suppliers. Seth will come back to the September 7, 2017 Leader Council Meeting with an estimate for everything and ask the Leaders Council to buy the flags. Emil Schaffner reported that there was a minor injury at Achievement Night that required a band aid and there was not first aid supplies available. He requested the Leaders Council buy a first aid kit that would be on hand at all County events. His estimate for the kit was $40.00. Jennifer Thomason motioned to approve the purchase of a first aid kit. Heather Vessey seconded. Motion passes. Emil Schaffner said he would purchase the first aid kit and submit a reimbursement.

**NEW BUSINESS**

* Enrollment fees for 2017-2018 are $16.00 for adult leader and $46.00 for youth. All clubs must have a fee assessment turned into the County office for any fees charged in excess of the County fees. Once the County approves your excess fees you may post your Club’s fees. It will be voted on at the November 2017 Leader Council meeting if the Clubs and County will split the cost of the fee waivers.
* 4-H Kick Off – August 26, 2017 at IV Mall Food Court 10:00am – 4:00pm. All Stars will have activities.
* Tractor Supply Paper Clover – During National 4-H Week. Stacey Britchgi will contact Tractor Supply to coordinate activities.
* 4-H BBQ - We will serve Tri-Tip again this year. Last year we served 4,269lb of meat. Sold 5,000 tickets. This year we are getting an additional 1,000lbs of meat. Salad will be changed to coleslaw. Chico Magana and Danny Poloni will be in charge of the BBQ. Keri and Michael Abatti will make the coleslaw. We need a place for meat trimming. T.L. Waggoner and Frank Wright were discussed. 2-3 members from each club will be needed for meat trimming. We need someone for advertising. Clubs need to bring their list of volunteers to the October Leader Council meeting. High ticket seller will get an I-Pad. Ticket sales for High Ticket Sellers will be cut off on October 13th.
* Leadership Training – Tabled until next meeting.
* Treasurer Training – It is required for adult and youth in this position.
* Countywide Projects – If your club can accept new members or if you have a countywide project please email Shanna. Magnolia can accept cavy members. Yolanda Fiorenza will accept small animal members.
* National Youth Science Day – Vicky Cantwell will head this up at Bike Ride.
* 4-H Bike Ride – Hosted by McCabe on October 7th. It will start out at Mc Cabe School. A flyer will be sent out. It was discussed having a quick record book training at Bike Ride and other County events.
* 4-H BBQ Poster Contest – Tabled for September 7th meeting. Posters will need to be turned in a day before the BBQ to the 4H office.
* National 4-H Week – October 2nd thru October 6th. Theme is #trueleaders. There is a poster contest for National 4-H week as well.

**4-H STAFF REPORT**

* Livestock Leaders meeting is September 21, 2017. New board members are needed.
* Leaders Council meeting is required for all Community Leaders or a delegate.
* Shanna Abatti went thru beginning/year end checklist. The clubs missing documentation for last 4-H year were mentioned.
* Any leaders fingerprinted prior to 2007 will need to be re-fingerprinted. Shanna Abatti listed names she received from the State. If the leader’s name was not on the list they are okay for now unless State sends updated list.

Theresa Acosta moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.  Jennifer Thomason seconded. Motion passed.